(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Details pertaining to amount spent on filling of posts of Railway police personnel (GRP) are not maintained by Ministry of Railways. Filling of posts of Railway police personnel is the job performed by respective State Governments.

(d) and (e) With effect from 1.4.79, the cost of Government Railway Police (without distinction of 'Crime' and 'Order Police') is shared between the State Government and Railways on 50:50 basis, provided that the strength of GRP is determined with the approval of Railways. For this purpose of calculating Railway's share of cost of GRP, the following is included:—

(i) Pay and all type of allowances in respect of GRP staff including office and supervisory staff upto the level of Inspector General of Police provided they are exclusively in-charges of GRP.

(ii) Office expenses and contingencies.

(iii) Cost of pensionery charges.

(iv) Cost of rent of building occupied by GRP staff.

Withdrawal of Shatabdi Express between Howrah and Patna

1184. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Shatabdi Express Trains running between Howrah and Patna have been withdrawn after its two years run;

(b) if so, whether it was due to mismanagement of Railway Administration that this prestigious train was discontinued; and

(c) what are other details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BASANGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) to (c) 2023/2024 Howrah-Patna Shatabdi Express has been replaced by Howrah-Patna Jan Shatabdi Express due to poor patronisation.